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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(3), filed by facsimile transmission on October 22, 2003, to withdraw the above-identified application from issue after payment of the issue fee.

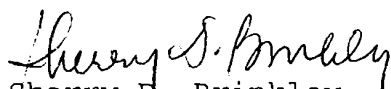
Petitioner requests that the application be withdrawn from issue for express abandonment. See 37 CFR 1.313(c)(3).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The application is hereby withdrawn from issue, and the abandonment is hereby recognized.

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